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(U) Irvine – White Supremist Fliers Found on 13 College Campuses Nationwide

(U) In the first weeks of the 2017-18 school year, Identity Evropa—an influential white supremacist group—has posted fliers on 13 campuses in seven states, according to new data from the Anti-Defamation League (ADL). Beginning on 3 September, the group hit at least one campus every day for six days in a row—including the University of California Irvine and schools in Virginia, Michigan, and Massachusetts—in an apparent campaign targeting college students. Since September 2016, the ADL has identified 192 incidents of white supremacist campus fliering on 131 college campuses in 37 states. SOURCE: 11 September 2017, [Newsweek](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) New York – American Al-Qa'ida Suspect to Face Trial on US Terrorism Charges

(U) Brooklyn – An American citizen will go to trial in federal court in Brooklyn today on charges that he supported al-Qa'ida and helped prepare a 2009 car bomb attack on a US military base in Afghanistan. US prosecutors in 2015 accused Texas-born Muhanad Mahmoud Al Farekh, 31, of conspiring to support al-Qa'ida by traveling with two fellow students from the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg, Canada, to Pakistan with the intention of fighting against American forces. They also charged that Al Farekh helped prepare a vehicle-borne explosive device used in a 19 January 2009 attack on a US base in Afghanistan, in which his fingerprints were found on packing tape for a device that failed to explode. SOURCE: 12 September 2017, [Reuters](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Egypt – Militant Blast, Gun Attack Kill 18 Police in Sinai Peninsula

(U) Ismailia – Militants attacked a security convoy in Egypt's Sinai Peninsula, killing at least 18 policemen in a blast and a gun battle yesterday in an assault claimed by ISIS. The attackers detonated an improvised explosive device and managed to destroy three armored vehicles and a signal-jamming vehicle near Arish, the capital of North Sinai province, security and medical sources said. Hundreds of soldiers and police have been killed in Sinai since 2013, when the military, led by President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi, ousted Egypt's Islamist president Mohamed Mursi after mass protests against his rule. SOURCE: 11 September 2017, [Reuters](#)

(U) Saudi Arabia – Officials Say ISIS Attack Plot, Spy Ring Dismantled

(U) Riyadh – Saudi Arabia said early today it had broken up an ISIS group plot to have suicide bombers attack Defense Ministry offices, while separately dismantling an alleged spy ring in the kingdom. The ISIS plot targeted two headquarters of the Defense Ministry in the Saudi capital, a statement said. Security forces arrested two Yemeni men it said would have been the bombers, as well as two Saudi nationals. Saudi state television aired images of what it described as suicide bomb belts, as well as homemade grenades seized by authorities. Separately, the Saudi Press Agency announced the spy ring arrest, describing the cell as made up of "Saudis and foreigners."

SOURCE: 11 September 2017, [Associated Press](#)

(U) Turkey – Police Detain 25 Suspected ISIS Militants

(U) Istanbul – Turkish police detained 25 suspected ISIS militants in operations across Istanbul, the state-run Anadolu news agency said today. Three of the suspects were “high-level members” of the militant group and 22 of the suspected jihadists were foreign nationals, according to the news agency. Turkish officials have reported that more than 5,000 ISIS suspects have been detained and some 3,290 foreign militants from 95 different countries deported in recent years.

SOURCE: 12 September 2017, [Reuters](#)

(U) United Kingdom – Soldiers Charged with Terror Offenses in Neo-Nazi Arrests

(U) London – Three men, including two British soldiers, have been charged under terror laws with being members of the banned neo-Nazi group, National Action. Five men, including four soldiers, were arrested on suspicion of terror offenses on 5 September and two have since been released without charge. West Midlands Police said the three remaining men have been charged with being members of a proscribed organization contrary to Section 11 of the Terrorism Act, with two of them also being charged with possessing documents likely to be useful to a person committing or preparing an act of terrorism and other offenses. Police said the arrests were “pre-planned and intelligence-led” with no threat to public safety.

SOURCE: 11 September 2017, [BBC](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) California – Border Patrol Chase Involved Human Smuggling, Agency Says

(U) Escondido – The high-speed Border Patrol pursuit on 10 August that left three people dead was a case of human smuggling, the agency now says. The midday pursuit down Interstate 15 ended when a SUV swerved off the freeway, crashed through a guardrail and toppled down a ravine 150 feet below. The driver and two passengers died, while a fourth passenger was injured. An agency spokesman said that the driver was a suspected smuggler and the entire incident was “determined to be an alien smuggling incident.” The passengers were all Mexican citizens who were in the country illegally, the spokesman said.

SOURCE: 11 September 2017, [San Diego Union-Tribune](#)

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